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Hardy EXOTIC GLADIOLUS AND Hardy Hybrids

FOR YOUR GUIDANCE

CORMS and CORMELS — Orders filled in rotation as received and sent postpaid at PROPER planting time in spring or fall. None sent in Jan. or Feb. Corm sizes vary with the species, but blooming size will always be sent.

SEEDS — Immediate delivery if in stock; otherwise back ordered until new supply is harvested or importation arrives. Cultural directions included. Packets contain from 10 to 30 seeds, depending upon rarity. Trade packets, when offered, contain three times the amount.

SPECIAL NOTATIONS appear under the various sections and species. Please read them carefully before ordering to avoid confusion and letter writing.

TERMS — Cash with order, by check or postal note. Everything is sent postpaid in U.S. and possessions, whether your order amounts to 50c or \$50.

FOREIGN ORDERS accepted for seeds only.

NOTE:

Any items scratched in this list are presently sold out but may be available later.

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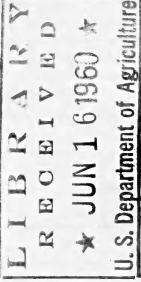
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List. No. 23, Gladiolus

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HARDY EURASIAN GLADIOLUS

HARDY EURASIAN GLADIOLUS (SPRINGGLADS)

These sub-zero hardy species from Europe and Asia are among the rarest of worthy garden plants, seldom seen in American gardens. They offer new opportunities for hybridists, cut flower growers, exhibitors. Will cross with other sections of the genus. Use them in the rock garden, hardy border, or naturalize. Easier to grow than summer kinds, and THRIPS DO NOT BOTHER THEM! The first figure following the name is the height in inches. The figures in parenthesis indicate below zero temperatures each species has withstood since I have grown them. All require fall (Oct-Nov) planting and cannot be held until spring.

G. BYZANTINUS (So. Europe) 30 (-35) Largest of the group, with 7 to 15 light purple flowers, 2" wide. A white line, edged darker purple, is on each flower segment. Early June. 6—\$1.30; 12—\$2.50. Seeds, 50c pkt.

G. COMMUNIS (Switzerland) 34 (-20) Bears 5 to 15 light purplish-red flowers about an inch wide, with the typical purple-bordered white median line. Mid-June. Rare. \$1.00 each, 3—\$2.75. Seeds, 50c pkt.

G. ILLYRICUS (England) 18 (-17) A little charmer with up to 10 magenta flowers, about an inch wide, with purple-edged white median lines on lower segments. Naturalizes easily. Mid-June. 3—\$1.25; 6—\$2.25; 12—\$4.00. Seeds 50c pkt.; Trade pkt., \$1.00.

G. PALUSTER (Switzerland) 18. (-10) Bears 2 to 7 small lavender-purple flowers with long lower segments and the typical white lines. Likes moist situations. Early June. \$2.00 each. Seeds, 50c pkt.

G. SEGETUM (Italy) 33 (-30) Bears 6 to 12 light carmine-red flowers. 1¾" wide, with dark violet-red blotches and white median lines. Early June. 6—\$1.75; 12—\$3.00. Seeds, 50c pkt.

G. SEGETUM, White form. (Buch, 1956) 24. (-16) Originally introduced by me in 1949 as *G. byzantinus albus* (as it came to me), this is now definitely identified. Flowers are pure white, but it still seems to be a shy bloomer. Early June. 6—\$1.80; 12—\$3.35 Seeds, 50c pkt.

RARE HARDY HYBRIDS

If planted late in the fall, just before the ground freezes in the north, the corms will withstand at least zero Fahr. Where lower winter temperatures prevail they should be grown in a cool greenhouse. All should be hardy from here southward. Will cross with other sections of the genus. Dry off and dig in summer. Delivered in Oct-Nov.

COLVILLEI HYBRIDS (Colville, 1823, England) 20. (-10) The first hybrids, oldest in commerce. Parentage: *G. tristis* var. *concolor* x *G. cardinalis*. Three varieties available: *ruber*, carmine-red; *The Bride*, white, *roseus*, pink. June. 6 for \$1.35; 12 for \$2.50

HARLEMENSIS HYBRIDS (Hoog, 1957) A strain developed in Europe from the white *Colvillei* and others unknown, the records being lost during the war. Contains combinations of white, cream, pink, lilac, red and violet, many of them ruffled. Hardy in the south, but summer grown in the north. Mixed only, \$4.00 dozen,

HERALD HYBRIDS (van Tubergen, Holland) 40. (-4) Earliest flowering large gladiolus on strong, rigid stems. Parentage: *Nanus* x *Childsi* (*Leichtlini*) hybrids. Sometimes produce 2 or 3 spikes. Two varieties available: *Comet*, poppy-red; *Fair Lady*, flesh pink. 6—\$1.75; 12—\$3.00.

HERALINUS HYBRIDS (Buch, 1959) Parentage: *G. primulinus* x *Herald* hybrids. Seven species in their pedigree, some hardy, some fragrant. Hardy south of Philadelphia, otherwise grown in summer with the garden or African types. Spring delivery.

— var. **PHOEBE**. 37. Bears up to 10 scarlet flowers, 3 inches wide, with light yellow blotches. Backs of upper segments striated red on pale yellow. Aug. Introductory price, \$2.00 each.

— var. **GISELE**. 34. Bears 2-1/2" scarlet flowers with dotted yellow blotch. \$2.00 each.

NANUS HYBRIDS (1855, Channel Islands) 15. (-10) The dwarf, or *Baby Gladiolus*, resulting from intercrossing *Gg. cardinalis*, *venustus*, *tristis* and *trimaculatus* (*angustus*). Salmon, orange, pink, scarlet, in mixture only. 6 for \$1.35; 12 for \$2.50

TUBERGENI var. **CHARM** (van Tubergen, Holland) 26. (-10) This pretty rose and white hybrid resulted from crossing a *Herald* hybrid x *G. tristis* var. *concolor*. Has a loose, graceful spike and narrow foliage. June. 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.00

var. **WARMUNDA**. A soft pink sport of *Charm*, requiring same handling. June \$3.00 dozen.

SOUTH AFRICAN SPECIES

These dainty *Gladiolus* from the Cape of Good Hope area may generally be grown outdoors only in frost-free regions, but some will stand as much as ten degrees of frost (22°) for short periods. I recommend cool greenhouse treatment, as for *Freesias*, when in doubt. They require fall planting, as they are winter growers, and dislike high temperatures and wet feet. Should be dried off after flowering in late winter or early spring. Here is the fragrance hybridists have been searching for—at your service. All will cross with other sections of the genus. These seeds are imported and listed subject to arrival. Uniform price per packet, \$1.00.



G. BLANDUS. 20. Bears 7 to 10 white or pale pink flowers, sometimes marked maroon.

G. CARINATUS. 20. Bears very fragrant mauve and yellow flowers.

G. CARMINEUS. 18. Klip Lily. Bears 5 or 6 large transparent flowers of intense carmine. Foliage appears after blooming.

G. GRACILIS. 20. Little Blue Papie. Bears 2 to 5 pale lilac-blue fragrant flowers, marked yellow.

G. GRANDIS. 30.* Bears 2 to 6 fairly large flowers, a curious shade of brown-marked pale primrose which turns grayish at night, when it emits a marvelous perfume.

G. HIRSUTUS. 20. Bears 3 to 6 large deep pink flowers with white stripes. Very sweetly scented.

G. ODORATUS. 30. Bears 6 to 16 large maroon flowers marked with cream and brown. Sends up spike first, leaves coming later. Fragrant.

G. PERMEABILIS. 24. Bears 6 to 12 variable white to pale pink to orange-scarlet flowers, some with chocolate markings.

G. RECURVUS. 24. Blue African-der. Bears 2 to 6 sulphur and dark lilac flowers with violet fragrance.

G. TRICHONEMIFOLIUS. 18. Bears 1 to 3 yellow flowers with purple blotches. Fragrant.

G. TRISTIS. 30. Bears 3 to 6 large creamy yellow flowers with brown spots, but may vary. Fragrant after dusk.

CORMS AVAILABLE:

*CHRISTABEL (Europe, 1957) A delightfully sweet-scented dwarf from G. grandis x G. concolor. Primrose yellow with purple veins and shading on the upper segments. Hardy south of Virginia. Must be planted in fall. \$5.00 dozen.

*G. CUSPIDATUS. 36. The pointed Painted Lady. Bears 4 to 8 white flowers with purple blotch, white center, elegantly ruffled. \$5.00 dozen.

*G. GRANDIS. 24. Large Brown Afrikander, or Avondbloem. Creamy white, tinged purple-brown, very fragrant in the evening. \$4.00 dozen.

*G. ORCHIDIFLORUS. 15. Green Kalkoentje. Bears 4 to 6 curiously colored gray-green, orchid-like flowers, sweetly scented both day and night \$5.00 dozen.

G. TRISTIS var. Concolor. (G. CONCOLOR) 30. Bears 3 or 4 pale chartreuse-yellow flowers, nocturnally fragrant. Corms only, for Oct-Nov planting. 6—\$1.75; 12—\$3.00

SORRY — WE HAVE NO DISPLAY GARDEN.